

THE DAILY STAR

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

In order to accommodate Eastern Advertisers the STAR, Mr. E. Duncan Shaffer, No. 71 Astor House, New York City, has been appointed our general and special Agent for the Eastern States. This will be a branch office of the STAR. Mr. Shaffer being authorized to make advertising contracts on our behalf, and receive all collections therefor in our name.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The inquest in the David Donohue case will be begun this evening.

There are six hundred and twelve patients in the Longview Asylum.

The Soldier's and Sailor's Memorial Association of this city now numbers nearly five hundred.

A thief last evening broke into a showman in front of Perlman's notion store, No. 334 Linu street, and stole \$5 worth of goods.

The Western Sewer Pipe Manufacturers' Association are holding and will hold their annual convention today and to-morrow at the Gibson House.

The creditors of Chas. Eymann, hardware merchant at No. 489 Main street, have compromised with him at 50 cents in the dollar. His liabilities are about \$25,000-\$30,000 in this city.

The Huedepont-Litup Comical Combination Troupe is going to exhibit at Harrison, O., on the 13th, 14th and 15th inst., for the benefit of the St. John's Catholic Church at that place.

The Grand Jury which is in session has found a true bill against Rev. Robt. F. Doyle, pastor of St. Edward's Catholic Church, on Clark street, between John street and Wesley avenue, for illegal voting.

In the case of Frank Westjohn, indicted for illegal voting, Mr. Pugh opened his argument for Westjohn this morning. He will be followed by Mr. Foraker, and this evening Mr. Bateman will close for the State.

Chas. Duwel, a manufacturer and dealer in tobacco, brought suit in the United States Circuit Court against Bernard H. Bohmer for an injunction, prohibiting the latter from selling smoking tobacco enveloped in a wrapper containing the plaintiff's trade mark.

A fellow named Smith, who has been visiting private houses claiming to have received orders for cutting paper plates, and has collected money in some instances on the strength of his misrepresentations, is wanted by the police. Rudolph Dittman, of 337 Cutter street, is one of his victims.

ANNA EVA MULLER, who lives at No. 51 Pleasant street, yesterday brought a suit for bastardy against J. H. Gall, a brother of Wm. Gall the butcher, who was killed by a John-street car a few days since, before Squire R. Wockman. Gall was bound over to the court of Common Pleas in the sum of \$900. Mr. J. H. Bates going on his bond.

The German Literary Society, recently formed at the Grand Hotel, conferred last night by electing the following officers: President, Dr. Wm. Stark; Vice President, Mrs. John Kinney; Director, Professor Oscar Abrahamson; Secretary, Professor Stuart of the Wesleyan College; Treasurer, Dr. C. O. Wright; Trustees, Chas. Jacob, Jr., Professor Mass and Miss Holstein.

At the annual stated communication of Miami Lodge, No. 46, A. F. and A. M., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Wm. H. K. Boake, W. M.; Frederick L. Day, S. W.; George Thompson, J. W.; Edwin L. Meiner, Treasurer; Elbert F. Bigler, Secretary; Louis Hart, S. D.; A. N. Renick, J. D.; E. Oberding and Sam. Porter, Stewards; Thomas Eckford, Chairman of Committee; John Doeschner, Tyler.

KATE VINGAR, a colored woman eighty-seven years of age, who has been living with the family of Mrs. Conly at No. 530 central avenue, is in the City Hospital suffering from the effects of a terrible burning received yesterday by her clothes catching fire from a grate. The woman died about 8 o'clock this morning from the effects of her burns. A jury was impaneled by Coroner Macey, and the inquest set for to-morrow morning.

Announcements.

Prof. Morse at Meadeon Hall again to-morrow evening.

A masquerade ball will be given at the Bellevue House Christmas evening.

The first entertainment of the German Literary Society will be at the Grand Hotel next Friday week.

A meeting will be held at St. Paul's M. E. Church Thursday, December 7, at 7 1/2 P. M. Mrs. W. H. K. Boake, and others, will address on the subject of "Christian and Educational Work Among the Freedmen." Gentlemen and ladies are invited.

Pools.

In the matter as to what is to be done with the money now in the hands of pool-sellers, Mr. John Sullivan settles the question by the following:

"To the Holders of Pools at Sullivan's Pool Room:

"In view of the many complications attending the late Presidential election, and the certain dissatisfaction over the result in case of the election of either Hayes or Tilden, I hereby declare all pools on the result of the Presidential election 'off.' Parties holding pool tickets will please present them at once, and have their money refunded in full."

German Pioneers.

The regular monthly meeting of the German Pioneer Association was held yesterday. The Treasurer's report showed a balance on hand of \$637.33. The following amendment to the Constitution was adopted:

"Any member may withdraw from the Association after a written notice to the Secretary and the payment of all dues. The member who withdraws loses all claim to the moneys of the Association."

The following new members, Messrs. J. M. Mueller and Christopher Schmeiz, were admitted to the Society. Adjourned.

Public Library Catalogue.

"Catalogue des Contes, Nouvelles et Romans Français, contenus dans la Bibliothèque Publique de Cincinnati."

This alphabetical list of the works of fiction in the French language now on the shelves of the Public Library has just been issued under the able superintendence of the Chief Librarian, Rev. Thomas Vickers. Like the German Catalogue published a few months since, it supplies a need which has been sensibly felt by many patrons of the Library who find it judiciously and conveniently arranged. It is a gratifying exhibit of the valuable contents of the Library in the way of foreign literature, and is also creditable to Mr. Vickers in his official capacity.

AMUSEMENTS.

Grand Opera-house.

Mr. Joseph Murphy appears to-night in "Kerry Gow." This is the last night but one of this excellent play.

"Sea of Ice" matinee to-day at 2 o'clock. Only 25 cents admission to all parts of the house.

Wood's Theater.

Mr. John T. Raymond in Mark Twain's great play continues to draw fine houses. People never tire of "Col. Mulberry Sellers."

Only "Col. Sellers" matinee Saturday.

Killed Under an Embankment.

Yesterday morning about 10 o'clock a man named Fred Meyer, who lives with his wife at 345 Broadway, was at work with John Bitzer in digging out a large bank in the German Protestant burying ground on Montgomery Road. The men were about ready to make the fall of the bank, which they had undermined, when it suddenly gave way and buried Meyer.

He was still able to speak when taken out. After being removed to his home he died last evening.

An inquest was held this morning at the Coroner's office, the jury returning a verdict of "death from injuries caused by the caving of a bank."

Court Cuttings.

Gerson Hess against Abraham Dryfoos and others. In this case, a motion to make the petition more definite and certain was overruled.

Michael Clemens against Hersher, Adams & Co. This is a suit brought to recover \$7,000 damages for not complying with a contract. In progress.

In the United States Court, Arthur G. Moore filed a libel against the steamboat Charles Morgan for \$2,333, balance due for machinery and repairs. The boat was seized by the United States Marshal, and was subsequently released on a bond furnished by Captain Stein, Wm. C. Hill and John M. Gregg.

Kenneth K. Thibault filed a suit on a claim for \$350 against August Fillmore and others, of Hamilton, O.

Alfred Hill against J. B. H. Nolte. This is a suit to recover \$3,500 for an injury to plaintiff's house. In progress.

George L. Falls against John N. Falls, J. B. McWhorter, and others. This was a suit brought to recover \$100 claimed to be due by the executor. The defendants set up a set-off due to them.

The trial of L. C. Pratt, for obtaining goods under false pretenses, progresses. Divorce cases have been laid over to Thursday, and will be tried immediately after the termination of the Pratt case.

Florence Lorentz was convicted in the United States Court of illegal voting.

Longview Asylum.

By the Seventeenth Annual Report of the Directors of the Longview Asylum it is shown that notwithstanding the increase of the number of patients treated, yet by reason of the cheapness in articles of supplies, and judicious management, the current expenses of the institution have been several thousand dollars less than that of the previous year.

The table of statistics shows that of the known or supposed causes of insanity at Longview about seventy per cent. were of a physical, and about thirty per cent. of a mental origin. Among the exciting causes named, intemperance was the most prolific, furnishing twenty per cent. of the known causes. As a prepossessing cause, hereditary was by far the most potent. It was ascertained that sixty of the patients admitted were the off-spring of parents having an admitted taint of insanity. Other cases there were whose families, though having no well-marked cases of insanity, had yet a strong tendency to nervous affections, as epilepsy, chorea, neuralgia, etc., or eccentricities of an exaggerated nature, which, transmitted to children under unfavorable circumstances, became intensified and culminated in insanity. In the house at the same time were two cases of brother and sister, two of mother and daughter, one of father and son, one of two sisters, and one of two cousins, the father of one and the uncle of the other having previously died in the Asylum.

Lindemann's Lecture.

Judge Lindemann, it will be seen from the following extract from his lecture to the Police force yesterday afternoon, has a high opinion of Chas. E. Callahan, Esq.:

"The Prosecuting Attorney of our Police Court is a capital fellow. He is the soul of the whole Police Department; he is a good lawyer; he is the best criminal lawyer in our State; he is indefatigable in instructing and posting our men and officers; always in his office; always ready to lend a helping hand, and he has made himself the most popular young man in our city. He gives advice to citizens who consider themselves aggrieved; draws up their charges of complaint as well as those brought by the police officers, and, in short, his services are recognized and appreciated by all."

Here, what he has to say of that much abused class—the able attorneys—who practice at his bar:

"You know a police court draws people who pretend to have the ability to represent defendants as attorneys, and some of them trouble our prosecuting attorney as well as myself, once in a while. Leaving those who are attorneys, who are gentlemen of learning, and because they never give any trouble, we have that class of so-called lawyers whom I have named woodchoppers; with you they are called police-court shysters and pettingers. Those woodchoppers are the fellows who know no better than that the profession of a lawyer is a trade; that they must do business, no matter in what manner and mode they obtain it; they not only seek clients, but engage others, and pay them in some way or another, to bring them clients. They are like the man with the apple-cart, who hawks his goods through the alleys; who is best friend with the servants and afraid of the master and mistress of the household; and what a noise and confusion they can make in their efforts to try a case. They raise all kinds of questions which are no questions; they except and except again; they take the case up to the higher courts, to have, in that manner, the case lost sight of; but let me tell you, our Prosecuting Attorney goes for them; he follows them to the County Court, and would follow them to any place this side of Heaven, rather than let them get away with the cases. Professional ethics are unknown to these men as morals to them and to most of their so-called clients. They try a case for anything of value to them."

What Shall We Do with It?

During a free discussion last night at the Merchants' Exchange as to the disposition of the Southern Railroad, in which Mr. Harry B. Smith, James B.

Laws, Mr. Josiah T. Kirby, Mr. E. C. Middleton, Mr. G. F. Davis and others participated, Mr. M. E. Loggins, Receiver of the Indianapolis, Cincinnati & Lafayette Railroad, said: "There was now no road out of Cincinnati three hundred and thirty miles long that paid for its maintenance out of the amount which had already been expended in the construction of this road. He believed that the Trustees should invite proposals first for leasing and completing the road, second for leasing the road upon its completion. Then he had a plan for forming a stock company of the tax-payers, but as a method of raising a fund to fit out and run the road, he would have \$1,000,000 raised by means of each tax-payer paying extra to this fund the amount of his tax for one year. He would add a proviso that no stockholder should be at liberty to own more than double the amount of his original subscription."

The discussion was on the adoption of a proposition offered by Mr. Smith as a substitute for both the minority and majority reports, published in the *STANDARD* some days ago, the substance of which was that the tax-payers of Cincinnati should be formed into a joint stock company, the capital to be equal to the amount expended upon the road, the value of stock owned by each person to be equal to the amount of tax paid by him to the construction of the road. In addition to the appropriation necessary for completing the line, the plan proposed an extra appropriation of \$1,000,000, to be raised by taxation, as a fund for fitting up and running the road. The value of these tax-paying stockholders were to be proportionate in number to the amount of tax paid.

Mr. Smith's substitute was then voted upon, and decided to be lost.

The meeting adjourned until next Monday evening, at 7:30 o'clock.

THE SOUTHERN ROAD.

Report of the Consulting Engineer.

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Cincinnati Southern Railroad yesterday afternoon, the following report of the Consulting Engineer was read, and the accompanying resignation was accepted:

CINCINNATI, Dec. 5, 1876

To the Trustees of the Cincinnati Southern Railroad:

GENTLEMEN—Within the past six weeks I have visited all the work now under contract on the line of your railway, with the exception of Section 14, Division "P," Mahoney, Jett & Co., contractors, and Sections 160 to 164 inclusive, Huga Carlisle, contractor. These sections will be completed about the 1st of January, and I deferred my visit until that time for a final acceptance of the same.

You have now an unbroken track from Ludlow to the Kentucky River; a gap there occurs of about seven miles. From this point the track is laid to within about sixteen miles of Somerset. By January 15 the track will probably reach Dry Branch Viaduct, a point about two miles north of the Cumberland River. As no contract has been made for the superstructure of this Viaduct, I am unable to stop there for the present. I see no reason why the entire grading and masonry from Ludlow to Joyce's—five miles from Chattanooga—shall not be completed by February 1, 1877, with the exception of the tunnel on Section 173. This may require two months longer. About 230 linear feet of heading and 400 linear feet of tunnel remain to be done. On the four great bridges the following progress has been made, viz:

Ohio River Bridge—The superstructure of the 510 feet span and draw-span are yet to be erected. False work for the long span is in place. Little work has yet been done on the north approach.

Kentucky River Bridge—The masonry is complete, and over one-half of the iron work is in place. The complete success attending the peculiar method of raising this bridge makes it no longer an untried experiment, but a fixed fact. A simple repulsion from the cliff on the south side of what has been already done for the north side will complete the structure.

Cumberland River Bridge—Completed.

Tennessee River Bridge—The masonry is all now well above water, and with the same energy continued as shown by the contractors, the sub-structure will be completed in sixty days.

All the small bridges and viaducts are completed between Ludlow and Somerset. The iron work for the Pimlico Creek bridge and viaduct is ready for shipment, and will be raised as soon as the track reaches that point. This leaves only the viaduct over Dry Branch to complete to the Cumberland River.

The only remaining work to be done on the line of your railway is the tunnel and masonry of about five miles from Joyce to Chattanooga, superstructure of bridges and viaducts from Cumberland River to Chattanooga, necessary sidings, depots, freight houses, water stations, machine shops, &c.

Having taken a much more active part and spent much more time than I anticipated when accepting the position of Consulting Engineer some years since, I now beg leave to tender you my resignation. Our business engagements are pressing, and owing to the near completion of your railway, I believe my services can be dispensed with without detriment to the undertaking.

I believe you have a line of single track railway second to none, so far as thorough workmanship is concerned, and in ten years will stand legs upon your ledger than if the work had been done in the ordinary manner of most of the Western and Southern railways.

I take this opportunity to thank the engineers and their assistants that have been attracted to my corps for the able manner in which they have carried out my instructions. Hoping that the future of this great enterprise will be all that your honorable board and its friends can desire, and thanking you for your co-operation and courtesy extended me during my connection with the same, I remain, very respectfully, your obedient servant.

THE RESIGNATION WAS ACCEPTED, AND MR. G. BOUSSEAU, HEREONCE FIRST ASSISTANT ENGINEER, WAS APPOINTED IN MR. LOVETT'S STEAD.

A Scotch clergyman in a remote part of the country was once catechizing his parishioners. John, the headie, not being very well "up," kept pretty near the door in order to be out of reach of the minister's eye and thus avoid making a display of his ignorance; but the clergyman, seeing his headie in this position, put to him the following question: "John, what is Baptism?" John, at first a little puzzled, bowed down: "Och, you ken it's just sapience to me and sapience to the presbiter!"

Another important dispatch has been intercepted. St. Louis Globe-Democrat publishes it as follows: "On the 1st inst. Mr. Samuel J. Tilden, Esq., cannot get that other vote, our engagement must be considered at an end. S. J. B. A. y." That knocks the last prop from the Governor's matrimonial ladder.

FOREIGN.

National Associated Press to the Star.

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 6.—Diplomatic to the Department of State, from St. Petersburg, say that the Imperial Government has just communicated to the Great Powers a protocol containing a synopsis of the declaration Russia expects to lay before the coming Conference to be held at Vienna, justifying her present warlike attitude, together with the claims she proposes to make upon Turkey respecting radical reform in the civil policy of the Sultan in the Danubian provinces and throughout the whole empire.

AN IMPORTANT ALLIANCE.

BERLIN, Dec. 6.—Prince Bismarck, in a speech in the Reichstag said that the alliance between the three Emperors of Russia, Austria and Germany was complete. He declared that the Emperor William was determined upon maintaining the unalterable friendship of Russia. Our task in the first instance to maintain peace is to moderate differences and to localize the war which perhaps is inevitable. Should we not succeed, things would assume a different aspect, and would allow of other combinations.

FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

In Congress.

National Associated Press to the Star. WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Nothing of real importance was done in either House yesterday, and the debate simply served to show the disposition of members.

Although the Message only briefly touched upon the most exciting points, there are matters alluded to which demand the closest attention before any definite expression of opinion can be expected. Members, moreover, are holding over until the canvass of Florida and Louisiana is declared.

A Man With a Mission.

On Monday next Mr. Lomirine, of Chicago, will submit to the House a proposition providing for the appointment of a joint committee to request the opinion of the Supreme Court upon all doubtful questions involved in the recent election.

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